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Extensions of ongoing country programmes

Note by the secretariat

Summary

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2009/11, this note informs the Executive Board of the one-year extension of the common country programme for the United Republic of Tanzania, approved by the Executive Director.

The note further presents the reasons for the proposed two-year extension of the country programme for Botswana. The Executive Board is requested to approve these programme extensions.

Draft decision

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the one-year extension of the common country programme for the United Republic of Tanzania, which was approved by the Executive Director, as indicated in table 1;

2. *Approves* the two-year extension of the country programme for Botswana, as presented in table 2.

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Table 1
One-year extensions of ongoing country programmes approved by the Executive Director

UNICEF-assisted country programme	*Original programme period*	*Year approved for extension*	*Reasons for extension*
United Republic of Tanzania	2011-2015	2016	– To align with the extended United Nations Development Assistance Plan (UNDAP) cycle as recommended by the regional United Nations Development Group team (UNDG). – To align the next UNDAP to national priorities of the Government of United Republic of Tanzania, in view of ongoing national initiatives, consultations regarding the post-2015 development agenda, and general elections in 2015.

Table 2
Extensions of country programmes for which the approval of the Executive Board is requested

UNICEF-assisted country programme	*Original programme period*	*Period proposed for extension*	*Reasons for extension*		
			In-country development	*United Nations harmonization*	*Implementation or other issues*
Botswana	2010-2014	2015-2016 *two-year extension*	To align the current country programme cycle with the current Botswana National Government plan ending in 2016.	The two-year extension of the cycle would harmonize with the current United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) and United Nations Programme Operation Plan cycle.	The programme extension would allow UNICEF to continue strengthening results through ongoing interventions.